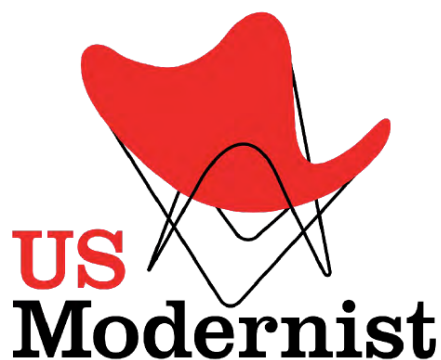


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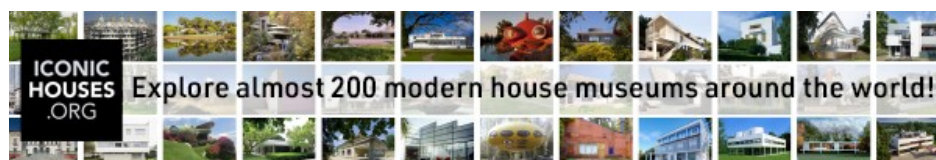
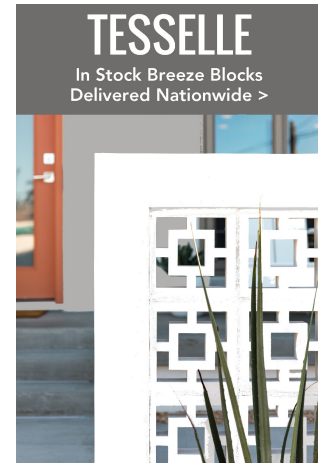
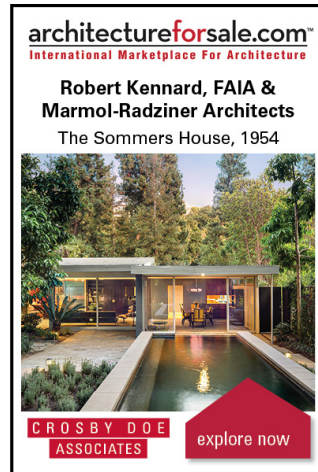
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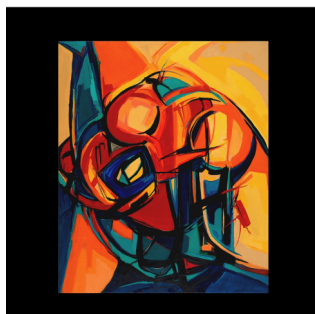
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LAST CALL FOR USModernist Global 7: London / Brussels / Antwerp / Amsterdam, May 13-22. Are you ready for some heart-pounding Modernist architecture in England, Belgium, and the Netherlands? You just won't believe the incredible Modernist architecture in three countries! [Details and tickets.](#)



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Dome Alone!

This Saturday, January 27, 10-3pm, 301 Sky Lane, Pittsboro NC.

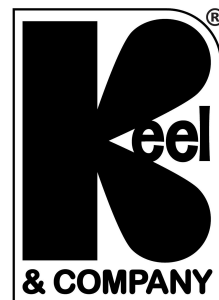
Ever dreamed about living inside a dome home? Experience it for yourself as NCModernist invites architecture enthusiasts to a unique tour of a stunning geodesic dome.

This isn't just any house; it's a marvel of engineering and design, blending organic beauty with technology. Feel the embrace of the curved walls, a sensory experience that no traditional home can offer. Hear from the homeowners about their experience living in a dome and the unique challenges and joys it brings. Discover the possibilities of geodesic domes and support a great cause.

All proceeds benefit NCModernist's documentation and preservation programs.

Advance \$9.95 ticket sales end tomorrow at 5pm, \$20 at the door.

The tour includes contemporary art by **Marcelle Harwell Pachnowski** and **Julio de Alberdi**, shown above.



Thursday, March 21, 5-7pm. Join us for a happy hour doubleheader with [Evan](#)

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[Reid + Keel Company](#), 5-7pm, 111 Old Williamson Rd, Raleigh NC. Discover their custom and mid-century Modern furniture, all on display! Free, [registration required](#).

Modernist News



Starting at 430am last Saturday, the 1954 Weber House, designed by [George Matsumoto](#), began a 7-mile journey to a new site in Raleigh NC. The house was featured in a 1954 edition of [Architectural Record](#). Later, owner **Joanna Johnson** made the house a Raleigh Historical Landmark in 2009. Yet in 2014 the Raleigh City Council approved her request to **un-designate the house as a landmark**. Johnson was spooked that designation would make the property unsellable, an unfortunate real estate myth. Sold off-market in 2023, the new owners were going to destroy it when

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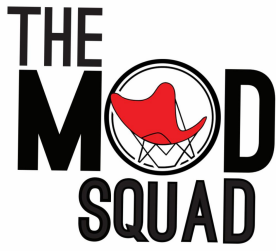
Melinda and Andy Knowles stepped up to move it next to their current Modernist house on Delmont Drive. From all of us at NCModernist, thank you Melinda and Andy!

Coverage on [CBS17](#).

A treat from *Architectural Digest*: [A visit](#) inside [Frank Lloyd Wright's](#) 1956 Rayward House, aka Tirranna, in New Canaan CT. **Stuart Graff**, president and CEO of the Frank Lloyd Wright Foundation, leads the tour. For \$7M, it's yours!



For \$8.8M, you can have [Hugh Kaptur's](#) 1958 Bougain Villa in Palm Springs - with a 1968 addition by [Albert Frey](#), whose house stands nearby. It's on the side of a mountain, and you can't build on sides of mountains any more in Palm Springs.



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From *Dezeen*, a look at furniture designed by [12 20th-century Modernist architects](#). Here's the iconic 1956 lounge chair and ottoman by [Charles and Ray Eames](#).



The Druckman House in Los Angeles, designed in 1941 by **Rudolph Schindler**, has **come onto the market** for about \$2.3M.



A 1958 house by **William Krisel** in the Tamarisk Ranchos development in Rancho Mirage CA **is on the market for \$990,000**.



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CNN selected projects whose architecture is **set to shape the world in 2024**. Coming to Nanjing, China, is a two-tower vertical forest by the architect of Milan's Bosco Verticale, **Stefano Boeri**.



The **Zaha Hadid** firm is **designing 10 skyscrapers**, including the Oppo Headquarters in Shenzhen, China, left. The firm's The Henderson in Hong Kong, right, is nearing completion.

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Take a video tour of the Wylie House in North Fork CA, designed in 1961 by architect **John Rex**.



The Doolittle House in Joshua Tree CA, designed in 1963 by **Ken Kellogg**, is one of **a series of desert homes** in an *Architectural Digest* article.



Know of an endangered Modernist house in your neighborhood, city, or state?

Through our preservation alert program, **Modernism In Danger**, USModernist calls attention to the Modernist houses around the country that are at risk for deterioration, demolition, or inappropriate renovation (like turning your Modernist house into an Italianate villa). **[Click here to tell us about Modernist houses in trouble.](#)**

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- The list of UNESCO World Heritage sites [has grown to include Lithuania](#) for its Modernist architecture from the 1920s and '30s.

- **Lesley Lokko**, dean of the Spitzer School of Architecture at City College of New York and founding director of the Graduate School of Architecture at the University of Johannesburg, **has been named the 2024 recipient** of the Gold Medal awarded by the Royal Institute of British Architects.



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Through January 26: The exhibition [Humanist Modernity. Maciej and Stanisława \(Siasia\) Nowicki](#), is on view at the United Nations Headquarters in New York, co-organized by the Ministry of Culture and National Heritage, Republic of Poland; [National Institute of Architecture and Urban Planning](#); Permanent Mission of the Republic of Poland to the United Nations in New York; [Polish Cultural Institute New York](#). Siasia was a talented graphic artist and designer and the first female professor of architecture in the history of the United States. Maciej, or Matthew, collaborated despite his young age with renowned architects on prestigious projects whose implementation was interrupted by his tragic death in 1950 during the construction of Dorton Arena in Raleigh NC, shown above.

MODAPALOOZA

February 8: [Thirst4Architecture](#), AR Homes, 5-7pm, 1711 Hunting Ridge Road, Raleigh NC. Free, [registration required](#).

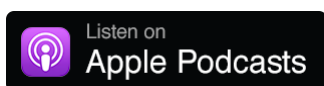
February 17-22: If you're into mid-century Modernist architecture, you don't want to miss Modapalooza, USModernist's glamorous new series of wildly exciting house tours, parties, and special events in Palm Springs in February. Take a leisurely daytime tour, or visit in the late afternoon for a wonderful sunset cocktail party, or stop by the Martini Whisperer **Phillip Jones** for advice on preparing your next cocktail. And there

are more exciting tours and parties. [Details and tickets.](#)

March 21: [Thirst4Architecture](#), Evan Reid + Keel and Company, 5-7pm, 111 Old Williamson Rd, Raleigh NC. It's a doubleheader of custom and mid-century Modern furniture all on display! Free, [registration required](#).

April 25: [Thirst4Architecture](#), 5-7pm, [REdesign.build](#) Tower Street Project, 920-926 Tower Street, Raleigh NC. Visit four of the most advanced, energy-efficient, self-sufficient Modernist houses in Raleigh, most ready to move in. Hosted by Will Alphin. Free, [registration required](#).

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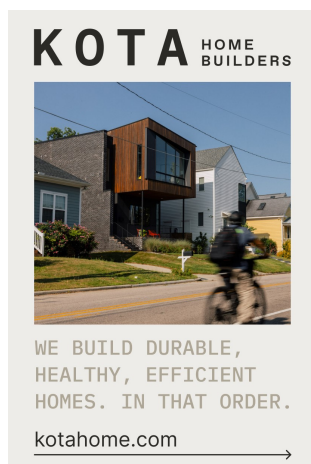
We'll gear up for the new year with conversations with **Damien Lipp** and **Stephanie**

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Mauro on tiny houses in Iceland; Long Beach Architecture Week's **Sal Flores**; a Modernist renovation in Altadena CA with **Goli Karimi**, and later a wonderful musical guest, **Nicole Zuraitis**.

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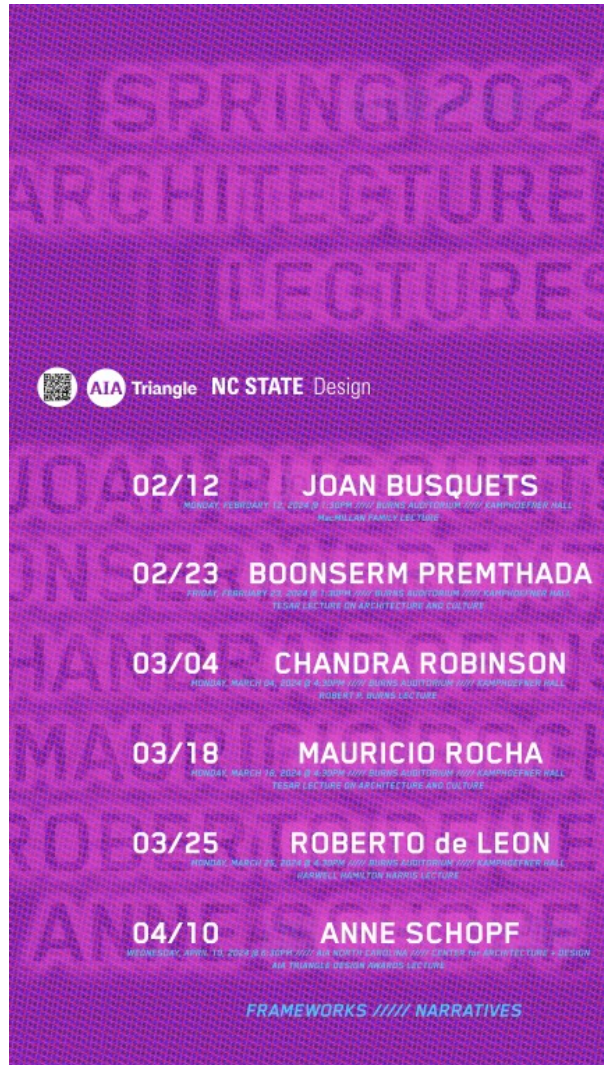
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Henry Wood Johnston, who practiced in Raleigh and Wilmington until he retired in 2013, passed away last week in Wilmington at age 85, his family reported. Johnston sat down with NCModernist in 2012 for [a video interview](#).



North Carolina State University's School of Architecture and AIA Triangle's speaker [schedule](#) for the Spring 2024 lecture series. Admission is free and the public is invited.



Frank Harmon FAIA will speak at Clemson University's School of Architecture Spring Lecture Series on April 3 in the Clemson Design Center in Charleston SC. The series will be streamed on Zoom. The in-person lectures are free and open to the public. [Details.](#)



Submissions are now open for the 2024 George Matsumoto Prize, North Carolina's highest honor exclusively for Modernist residential architecture. The unique design competition features a blue-ribbon jury of internationally-known architects and experts plus online public voting. NCModernist created the Matsumoto Prize in 2012 honor of **George Matsumoto**, one of the founding faculty members of North Carolina State University's College of Design. Matsumoto created some of North Carolina's most well-known and well-loved Modernist houses. The Matsumoto Prize encourages architects, designers, and prospective clients to continue the Modernist movement in houses so important to North Carolina's design heritage. Entries are open to any ground-up

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Modernist house completed since 1/1/2019. The international jury includes **Shannon Battison, WG Clark, Jerald Cooper, Melissa DelVecchio, Stewart Hicks, Blair Kamin, and Katie Swenson.** [Details](#). The 2024 prize is sponsored exclusively by:



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Preservation easements are like a homeowner's association for just one house and are the only legally enforceable way in most jurisdictions to keep a Modernist house from being destroyed in the future.

National Register status? Famous architect? Local historic designation or tax credits? At best, these things may delay demolition six months to a year but they won't stop it. Here's the Zoom video presentation featuring Preservation North Carolina and NCModernist, along with **Jane Levy**, Greensboro Modernist homeowner.



North Carolina Realtors and owners of NC Modernist houses can now list - for sale or for rent - on our free [NCModernist database](#). Listings limited to detached single family Modernist houses, old or new, and the house must be in North Carolina. [Details](#).

Got a great Modernist house that's not selling? How would you like 60 people or more (up to 200) to come by and see it one Saturday? We can do that for you, free. [Contact](#).

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FOR SALE

Vacancy, not development, is the enemy of mid-century Modernist houses. Preserve and protect the architecture you love by [notifying us](#) when North Carolina houses go vacant or on the market.

Check out the [NCModernist For Sale/Rent database](#). Realtors and owners can list their NC Modernist houses for sale or rent there for free, and you can browse there anytime you like! Submissions are subject to approval: single family Modernist houses only, they can be old or new, the architect or designer can be from anywhere, but the house must be in North Carolina.



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